

**COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE NETWORK**  
*Children, Family & Futures*

**HIGH DESERT PARTNERSHIP FOR KIDS**

MINUTES

May 8, 2006  
Desert Mountain SELPA  
17800 Outer Highway 18, Apple Valley  
9:00 am

In Attendance:

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| Gutman, Amber        | Bridges for Families/St. Marys  | <a href="mailto:amber.gutman@stjoe.org">amber.gutman@stjoe.org</a>             | 760-242-2311 |
| Hankerton, Lucille   | Hesperia Employment Res.        | <a href="mailto:lhankerton@jesd.sbcounty.gov">lhankerton@jesd.sbcounty.gov</a> | 760-244-6064 |
| Jaquish, Mary        | First 5 San Bernardino          | <a href="mailto:mjaquish@cfc.sbcounty.gov">mjaquish@cfc.sbcounty.gov</a>       | 909-386-7706 |
| Madgulkar, Jaiden    | DBH                             |  | 760-955-1449 |
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| Morris, Judy         | Moses House Ministries          | <a href="mailto:moseshouse@dslexreme.com">moseshouse@dslexreme.com</a>         | 760-955-1895 |
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| Roberts, Donna       | High Desert New Beginnings      | <a href="mailto:h دنب@verizon.net">h دنب@verizon.net</a>                       | 760-255-1346 |
| Rudder-Ward, Joan    | The Image Maker                 | <a href="mailto:imaker@charter.net">imaker@charter.net</a>                     | 760-956-8960 |
| Savala-Mahany, Maria | Bridges for Families/St. Mary's | <a href="mailto:mahanyml1@stjoe.org">mahanyml1@stjoe.org</a>                   | 760-242-2311 |
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| Tillman, Carolyn     | SB County Schools               |  | 909-386-2903 |
| Tracy, Kerri         | Hesperia USD                    | <a href="mailto:kerri.tracy@hesperia.org">kerri.tracy@hesperia.org</a>         | 760-244-4411 |
| Venardos, Donna      | VV Behavioral Health            |  | 760-955-1777 |

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

- Everyone was welcomed and self-introductions were made.

**2. Additions/Deletions to Agenda**

- None

**3. Approval of April Minutes**

**4. Presentation: Amy Cousineau, Children's Network – "Children's SART"**

- See attachment

**5. Presentation: Carolyn Tillman, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools  
– “Preschool for All”**

- See attachment

**6. Children’s Network Report – Sue Taylor**

- The Happiest Baby and Toddler on the Block training was great!
- Children’s Network is wrapping up the “Shine a Light on Child Abuse” campaign and gearing up for the “Fun in the Sun: Safe Summer” campaign.
- Sue encouraged everyone to visit the Children’s Network resource center for materials to hand out.

**7. First 5 San Bernardino Report – Mary Jaquish**

- First 5 San Bernardino is getting ready to release the RFP for center-based childcare centers.
- Committee meeting will be happening on May 23 and NOT May 10.
- First 5 San Bernardino will be having workshops on the application process for the RFP’s.
- Mary advised everyone to check the First 5 web page ([www.first5sanbernardino.org](http://www.first5sanbernardino.org)) for up-to-date funding information.

**8. Roundtable/Discussion**

Vel O’ Brian of San Bernardino Preschool Services

- Barstow Head Start is looking for a new building to house their pre-school.

Donna Roberts of High Desert New Beginnings

- A GED test in Spanish will hopefully be held in late September or early October.
- Starting to recruit for HIPPY program for the new school year starting in August. If you are interested in signing up kids for the HIPPY program, please call (760) 255-1346

Judy Morris of Moses House

- Moses House is promoting a marriage cruise to the Caribbean – Dec. 10-17.

Maria Savala-Maheny of Bridges for Families/St. Mary’s

- Maria handed out new brochures for the classes held at St. Mary’s.

**Next Meeting Date: June 12, 2006**

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Respectfully Submitted, Denise McKinney, Children’s Network  
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